

ABSTRACT

A multiple particle (e.g., a spherical particle) comprising an organic solid component (A) containing a plurality of organic solid materials (e.g., polymers) is produced by eluting a water-soluble auxiliary component (B) containing at least an oligosaccharide (B1) from a composition having a disperse system, in which a particulate dispersed phase comprising the organic solid component (A) is dispersed in a matrix comprising the auxiliary component (B). The organic solid materials may be different in affinity relative to the auxiliary component (B) from each other. The particle may have a core-shell structure which comprises a core containing a first organic solid material (e.g., a hydrophobic polymer) and a shell containing a second organic solid material (e.g., a hydrophilic polymer) immiscible with the first organic solid material. The weight ratio of the organic solid component (A) relative to the auxiliary component (B) may be about 55/45 to 1/99. The multiple particle corresponding to the dispersed phase (e.g., a core-shell particle) can be produced by a convenient process independently of affinity between the dispersed phase and the matrix and polymerization manner of the polymer.